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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER,

AND

SCHOOL BOARD,

OF THE

TOWN OF BEDFORD,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1888.

MANCHESTER, N. H.:
THOMAS H. TUSON, PRINTER.
1888.

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1888.

S. C. Damon, stakes for Joppa cemetery	2 00
Pike & Heald, repairing funnel for town house	1 47
E. P. French, ducks killed by dogs	3 00
T. H. Tuson, printing blank book	3 75
Henry L. Peaslee, books, stationery and seals	2 42
Quincy Barnard, discount on taxes	179 89
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	\$1035 49

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Quincy Barnard, highway bill in 1886	\$1 42
Jacob Buswell, for road through field 1886-7	1 50
Joseph S. Conrey, repairs on highway 1886	1 90
Stephen Goffe, repairing highway and cutting bushes	7 50
Seth P. Campbell, 2nd, labor on highway	15 00
Martin Campbell, "	15 00
Horace Campbell, "	9 75
William H. Farr, plank for bridge, and laying same..	8 22
George F. Barnard, labor on highway	5 50
Martin Campbell, "	10 50
Seth P. Campbell, 2nd, "	10 50
Farnum Jenkins, repairing culvert	4 50
Horace Campbell, labor on highway	15 00
Martin Campbell, "	19 50
Seth Campbell, 2nd "	19 50
Martin Campbell, "	11 25
Seth P. Campbell, 2nd, "	11 25
Horace Campbell, "	25 50
Albert M. Jenness, "	85 00
George W. Butterfield, "	77 47
James Fullerton, labor on Rundlett Hill	16 25
Justin E. Vose, labor with road machine	297 50
" for powder, fuse and drills	4 00
James C. Gilman, labor on highway	15 25
Clinton French, breaking and repairing roads	12 55
George A. King, making culvert and work on highway	28 45
Willard C. Parker, labor on highway	3 00
David R. Barnard, money paid for labor on highway	52 50
Quincy Barnard, labor on highway	6 75
George F. Barnard, "	43 25
Charles L. Caswell, "	6 00
Emerson Campbell, "	6 00
W. C. Adams, "	4 50

Fred B. Worthley, labor on highway	41 60
Charles H. Tarbell, "	23 33
Charles S. Campbell, cutting bushes	3 00
James L. Mitchell, labor on highway	3 50
John H. Rand, "	14 50
Fred C. Campbell, "	25 25
Sanford Roby, "	36 67
William McAllaster, "	34 25
Reuben G. Adams, "	9 15
Orrin Webber, "	12 90
James E. Gault, "	70 00
Elliot S. Campbell, breaking and repairing highway	42 25
John M. Hodgman, labor on highway	24 40
Stephen Goffe, repairing bank wall and highway.....	38 25
David R. Barnard, labor on highway	79 50
Charles S. Campbell, repairing culvert	2 50
Ira Barr, labor on highway.....	4 20
James L. Mitchell, labor on highway	29 83
James C. Gilman, "	35 87
Charles E. Bursiel, "	15 73
Joseph G. Holbrook, cutting bushes.....	1 50
Albert L. Flint, labor on highway	14 55
Clinton P. Hodgman, "	9 15
John H. Rand, repairing culvert	2 25
Quincy Barnard, sundry highway bills	52 00
E. Campbell, carting gravel on Farley Hill.....	20 00
Fred A. French, labor on highway	2 25
Henry L. Peaslee, "	8 85
David R. Barnard, "	6 90
Justin E. Vose, "	35 25
Clinton French, "	11 93
Charles H. Tarbell, "	4 50
Frederick F. French, " 1885.....	2 50
E. W. Butterfield, " 1886-7.....	4 50
John F. Gove, " 1887	3 00
George F. Barnard, "	16 25

\$1593 82

BREAKING ROADS.

Harry A. Shepard, breaking roads in 1886-7.....	\$17 55
Frederick Weisback, " "	7 80
John H. Rand, " "	3 60
Elbridge J. Campbell, " "	13 25
William H. Tarr, " "	7 05
William McAllaster, " "	5 00
Eddie W. Stevens, " "	6 40
George A. King, " 1887.....	17 50
George McAllester, " "	16 25
James C. Gilman, " "	5 00
George F. Barnard, " "	5 50
Orrin Webber, " "	7 20
Henry L. Peaslee, " "	4 60
Henry H. Smith, " "	13 00
Clinton P. Hodgman, " "	3 50
Peter Parker, " "	11 25
Harry A. Shepard, " "	13 05
Sanford Robie, " "	6 62
William McAfee, " "	6 00
John M. Hodgman, " "	7 75
James L. Mitchell, " "	10 50
Henry S. Plummer, " "	22 25
Frank S. Dearborn, pass through Carley field, 1885..	1 50
John H. Parkhurst, breaking roads in 1887.....	2 10
Ira Barr, " 1886-7	4 05
Joseph G. Holbrook, " "	3 50
Albert B. Lampher, " 1888.....	5 50
Elliot A. Campbell, " "	21 50
John M. Hodgman, " 1887-8	34 00
Clinton P. Hodgman, " "	22 55
George H. Wiggin, " "	5 05
J. W. Watson, " "	5 47
John H. Rand, " "	18 90
Jacob P. Buswell, breaking roads and road through field	4 48
Arthur W. Holbrook, breaking roads in 1887-8.....	6 00
Sanford Roby, " "	32 00
E. J. Campbell, " "	18 00
James E. Gault, " "	60 00
Conrad Weisbaupt, " "	13 13
George A. Jenkins, " "	1 00
Newton I. Peaslee, " "	26 05
Henry L. Peaslee, " "	33 78

David R. Barnard, breaking roads in 1887-8	70 75
James L. Mitchell, " "	32 65
Mrs. B. W. Nichols, " "	14 85
Stephen Goffe, " "	39 25
John G. Vose, " "	10 75
Justin E. Vose, " "	17 75
Clinton French, " "	24 60
Charles H. Tarbell, " "	30 20
E. W. Butterfield, " "	38 75
William McAllaster, " "	23 80
George F. Barnard, " "	28 95
James C. Gilman, " "	66 27
Charles E. Bursiel, " "	9 40
E. D. Campbell, " "	5 30
Orrin Webber, " "	14 52
W. H. Tarr, " "	25 15
Quincy Barnard, sundry bills for breaking roads in 1887-8	19 35
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\$1001 47	

PERSONS AIDED BY THE COUNTY.

Elvira and Mary A. Walker	\$12 50
" "	10 00
" "	10 00
" "	10 00
" "	12 50
" "	10 00
" "	10 00
" "	12 50
" "	10 00
" "	10 00
" "	12 50
" "	10 00
Harriet Wilson	9 75
"	9 75
"	9 75
"	9 75
James C. Gilman, paid for boots for Wilber Damon..	4 25
French & Dockham, goods delivered Wilber Damon	31 14
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\$204 39	

PERSONS AIDED BY THE TOWN.

Lilla E. Mudge.....	\$12 50
“	10 00
“	10 00
“	10 00
“	10 00
“	10 00
“	10 00
“	10 00
“	10 00
“	10 00
Jesse Witherspoon, boarding John McLaughlin 11 weeks, \$2.50 per week.....	27 50
Jesse Witherspoon, boarding John McLaughlin 14 weeks	35 00
Frank Blaisdell, M. D., professional attendance on child of Mrs. Mudge.....	30 00
Jesse Witherspoon, boarding John McLaughlin 14 weeks.....	35 00
Frank H. Rowe, M D., professional attendance on child of Mrs. Mudge.....	1 50
Henry L. Peaslee, keeping transients	3 00
“ taking Fred Henry to Wilton.....	3 00
James C. Gilman, keeping transients	3 00
George F. Barnard, “	1 00
Jesse Witherspoon, boarding John McLaughlin 13 weeks and one day	32 87
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\$294 37	

ABATEMENTS.

Elbridge G. Gilmore, (over 70) abatement of poll tax and cow.....	1 52
Quincy Barnard, abatement on tax list.....	2 41
Mary L. Buswell, abatement over tax.....	90
Daniel S. Campbell, abatement, soldier	90
Mrs. B. W. Nichols, abatement on real estate.....	1 90
Quincy Barnard, abatement on tax list.....	17 10
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\$24 73	

LABOR IN CEMETERIES.

Benjamin Hall, labor in cemetery	\$25 00
“ “	35 00
James Ferson, labor in Joppa cemetery	4 50
Benjamin Hall, labor in cemetery	12 08
Harry A. Shepard, labor in Joppa cemetery	2 10
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	\$78 68

ASSESSMENTS.

Amount of money assessed upon polls and ratable estates of residents and non-residents in the town of Bedford for the year 1887.

State tax	\$1412 00
County tax	1027 93
Town tax	1 00
Highway tax	1000 00
School tax	1235 50
Extra school tax	600 00
Dog tax	135 00
Percentage	114 63
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	\$5526 06

Amount of orders drawn since March 1, 1887:

Incidental expenses	\$1035 49
Highways and bridges	1593 82
Breaking roads	1001 57
Abatements	24 73
Support of poor	294 37
Support of county poor	204 39
Labor in cemeteries	78 68
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	\$4232 95

Amount of school money for 1887.....\$2159 68

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY L. PEASLEE,
JAMES C. GILMAN,
GEORGE F. BARNARD,

Selectmen of Bedford.

Bedford, March 1, 1888.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Town of Bedford in account with Wm. M. Patten, Treas.

To cash on hand Mar. 1, 1887.....	\$771 99
Received of H. E. Ryder, collector, 1885	77 00
Received of Quincy Barnard, collector, 1886	545 16
Received of Quincy Barnard, interest for 1886	20 73
Received of Quincy Barnard, collector, 1887	4,978 06
Received of the selectmen, from the county	169 00
Received of the selectmen for adver- tisements	15 00
Received of the selectmen, for railroad tax	44 50
Received of the selectmen, for savings bank tax	2,211 97
Received of the selectmen, for liter ary fund	167 24
Received of Silas A. Riddle, for grave- yard lots.....	79 00
Received of Harry A. Shepard, for graveyard lots.....	38 50
Received of Silas A. Riddle, for use of town hall.....	34 00
	\$9,152 15
By cash paid town orders, drawn current year, 1887.....	\$4,232 95
Paid county tax	1,027 93
state tax.....	1,412 00
school money in full for year 1887...	2,159 68
Cash on hand Mar. 1, 1888.....	319 59
	\$9,152 15

Standing of the Town financially Mar. 1, 1888.

LIABILITIES.

Town officers salaries.....	\$555 00	
Dog tax for the year 1887	120 00	
Breaking roads	200 00	
Town notes.....	2,000 00	
Interest on town notes.....	260 12	
	<hr/>	\$3,135. 15

ASSETS.

Due from collector, 1887	548 00	
Due from the county.....	119 89	
Cash on hand March 1, 1888.....	319 59	
	<hr/>	\$987 48

Balance against the town Mar. 1, 1888...	<hr/>	\$2,147 64
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All of which is respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM M. PATTEN.

Town Treasurer.

March 1, 1888.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD,

For the Year ending March 1, 1888.

It again becomes our duty at the close of the school year to report to the town the condition of the schools and the manner in which we have performed our duties.

At the election of March, 1887, Dr. Frank H. Rowe was elected a member of the Board for three years. On March 11th the Board met and organized for the year with C. B. Beal as president, N. B. Hull, treasurer, Dr. F. H. Rowe, secretary.

The duties of the Board were divided, Dr. F. H. Rowe visiting and having special supervision of Nos. 1, 5, 6, 7 and 9; Mr. Beal, Nos. 2, 3, 4, 8 and 10, and each have visited all the schools during the year.

All the teachers have been elected by the full board. It was thought by some last year that the Board did not give all the teachers a thorough examination. It was not thought necessary to examine those who had taught in town before, nor to go to the expense of holding a regular examination. But on account of the fault found heretofore it was decided this year to have a written examination of all teachers, which was held on April 4th, at No. 1 school house. There were present ten applicants who were required to correctly answer seventy per cent of the questions given in each study, in order to obtain a certificate. All who were engaged to teach were up to the required standard. Those that were afterwards engaged were required to pass the same examination.

Seventeen different teachers have been employed, and but four have remained in the same school during the year. One, Miss Mattie Johnson, has taught through the year but in different schools. We have had to contend with the same evil as heretofore of frequent changes of teachers. One great cause of these changes is for the reason of not having sufficient money to pay them what they can get elsewhere. Therefore they are constantly looking for better situations, which they can obtain in other places. This changing has caused more trouble than any of our other duties, and it is sometimes very difficult to obtain satisfactory teachers for the

schools. Only two of the teachers have taught for the first time. All the others have taught before, and some have had large experience. All have been satisfactory with one or two exceptions. They have labored hard for the best interests of their schools, and have seemed to take an interest in their work. We were sorry to lose the services of Misses Batchelder and Hill.

The same number of schools have been supported as last year with three terms in each, and with three exceptions each having twenty-nine weeks for the year. We received from the estate of G. M. French \$27.36 due No. 1, with a portion of which the Fall term was extended one week, making thirty weeks for this school. In No. 7 the Winter term was in session seven weeks and then closed on account of the prevalence of scarlet fever. As the teacher resided in Mass. it was decided not to open it again, so it is entitled to four weeks extra next year. It was unfortunate to have this school broken up as the teacher for the Fall term did not give satisfaction. Miss Parkhurst, teacher of the Winter term, was experienced and successful. The Winter term in No. 5 has been somewhat broken on account of scarlet fever. It was closed for two weeks and then commenced again, and then was shortened one week for the same cause.

The daughter of J. E. Gault after a short sickness of diphtheria and scarlet fever was taken away. (This is the only death among the school children for the year). She was an intelligent scholar and the parents have our sympathy in their bereavement.

The schools have made good progress, and in some we have noticed decided improvement in instruction and discipline. The discipline in some has not been what it should be for the reason that the parents do not co-operate with the teacher in having their children obey the rules, making it hard for her to maintain the discipline of the school. The schools have improved in regard to the class of teachers secured and the improvement made in studies.

At the beginning of the winter term a change of the reading books was made, Lippincott's series of readers being introduced. The old books were exchanged for the new with but small expense to the scholars. The change was considered for the best interests of the schools. The teachers have been pleased with the change, thereby having new reading matter in place of the old. Ten sets (fifty books) have been placed upon the teacher's desks for their use and as the prop-

erty of the town. They were donated to us by the publishers and we have made this use of them. It has been noticed that the scholars have made more improvement in reading since the books were introduced, taking more interest by having new reading.

The town should own sets of supplementary readers to be changed among the schools, as scholars frequently read in books too far advanced because they have read through the lower grades which have thereby lost their freshness and interest. No other change of text books has been made. Those in use are Lippincott's Readers, Harrington's Speller, Davies and Peck's Arithmetic, Monteith's Geographies, Swinton's Grammar, Higginson's History, Meservey's Book-keeping, Harper's Copy Book.

The attendance for the year has been better than last year in some schools. We would again ask parents to encourage the habit of punctuality in their children. During the winter term sickness has caused many absences. Severe colds have been prevalent as well as other diseases which as before noted have broken up our schools. The No. 3 school taught by Miss Emerson is the banner school in regard to attendance, no tardy mark appearing upon the register for the year and but few absences. No. 10 has no tardy marks for the spring term, which was taught by Miss Mattie Johnson.

The select men in their census for 1887 found 212 scholars between the ages of 5 and 15 years, 114 boys, 98 girls. The whole number of scholars registered are 223. Of these 108 are boys, 115 are girls, a decrease of 3 from last year.

Repairs have been made only where actually needed, amounting to \$33.88. The coming year greater repairs are needed. The No. 1 house requires shingling. The floor of the house in No. 2 is in a bad condition. Some of the supports seem to have given away as it has settled some on one side, and stepping upon some parts of it causes it to shake badly. The wind has blown off the top of the chimney which needs to be repaired. New seats are also needed. The town should commence and put the school buildings in good repair, not all in one year, but one or two each year where the most needed. New seats should be put in where required and painting and papering done inside, and other necessary repairs made. Some of the out-buildings are a disgrace to the town. They should at least be put at once in a safe sanitary condition. The wood shed in No. 6 is all open and badly out of repair, also in No. 4.

Two scholars have been carried to No. 1 at an expense of \$41.00.

It appears from the treasurer's report that the whole amount expended for teachers, fuel, repairs and other necessary expenditures aside from the \$10.00 expended from the money belonging to No. 1 is \$2085.59, an average of \$9.35 per scholar against \$9.02 last year.

The whole amount appropriated by the town including the literary fund and the railroad tax is \$2159.68; amount remaining from last year \$35.51 making \$2195.19 in all, leaving a balance of \$109.60 unexpended. From this balance \$32.50 is due Nos. 7 and 5 for schooling which they did not get for reasons given elsewhere in this report, which would make the actual amount remaining for next year \$77.10.

We would recommend that the town raise the same amount of extra money as last year.

Respectfully submitted.

CHAS. B. BEAL,
N. B. HULL,
FRANK H. ROWE, M. D.

School Board of Bedford.

ROLL OF HONOR.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Spring. Mabel M. Campbell, Grace H. Farley, Nora B. Farley, Mary J. Fosher, Grace M. Lane, George L. Fosher.

Fall Grace M. Lane, Gertrude Lane, Warren Cutler, Frank H. Barnard, Harry G. Barnard, Quiney Campbell, Chandler Sawyer.

Winter. Jennie Shepard, Mabel Campbell, Grace Lane, Gertrude Lane, Frank H. Barnard, Harry G. Barnard, Quiney Campbell, Warren Cutler.

DISTRICT No. 2.

Spring. Minnie A. Stevens, Eugene M. Mitchell, Oscar N. Blood.

Fall. Willie E. Flint, Oscar N. Blood, Freddie H. Flint, Albert C. Hodgman, Lewis E. Hodgman, Arthur N. Hodgman, Eugene M. Mitchell, Bertha F. Beal, Nellie A. Hodgman, Minnie A. Stevens, Nellie E. Stevens.

Winter. Nellie A. Richards, Bertha F. Beal, Ernest A. Jenkins, Charles E. Snell, Albert C. Hodgman, Willie E. Flint.

DISTRICT No. 3.

Spring. Meltie N. Mitchell, Frankie Fogg, Ollie Fogg, Sadie Darrah, Mertie Darrah, Henry Darrah, Leroy Mitchell, Shirley Brunel, Hugh Moore, Bertie Brunel.

Fall. Frankie Fogg, Ella C. Darrah, Leroy Mitchell, Henry Darrah, Shirley Brunel, Bertie Brunel.

Winter. Meltie N. Mitchell, Frankie Fogg, Ollie Fogg, Sadie Darrah, Mertie Darrah, Jennie Darrah, Ena L. Walker, Shirley Brunel, Bertie Brunel, Leroy Mitchell.

DISTRICT No. 4

Spring. Harry F. Hull, Gracie Hull, Willie J. Putnam, Allen F. Carrier, Clara Lawrence.

Fall. Katie Gersbacher, Minnie Putnam, Harry F. Hull, Allan F. Carrier, Amy R. French.

DISTRICT No. 5.

Spring. Mamie Murphy, Eva M. McAlister, Alonzo H. Huntoon, Dannie Murphy, Timmie Murphy, Tommie Murphy.

Fall. Mamie Murphy, Eva M. McAlister, Lewis Gault, Timmie Murphy.

Winter. Mamie Murphy, Timmie Murphy, Dannie Murphy, Tommie Murphy.

DISTRICT No. 6.

Spring. Dora D. Holbrook, Lizzie S. Holbrook, Goldie M. Clapp, Lonnie H. Holbrook, George F. Taylor, Willie J. Clapp, Robert F. Bursiel, Walter M. Taylor.

Fall. Dora D. Holbrook, Lizzie S. Holbrook, Olive A. Bursiel, Lonnie H. Holbrook, George F. Taylor, Willie J. Clapp, Robert F. Bursiel, Gordon P. Atwood, Walter M. Taylor.

Winter. George F. Taylor, Gordon P. Atwood, Robert F. Bursiel, Oscar Bursiel.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Fall. Annie M. Vose, Ida M. Hill.

Winter. Annie M. Vose.

DISTRICT No. 8

Spring. Carrie E. Rand, Hattie G. Tolford, James C. Rand.

Fall. Ethel A. French, Hattie G. Tolford, Jennie M. Tolford, Nellie M. Campbell, Mundie L. Aldrich, James C. Rand, Archie L. Brown.

Winter. Carrie E. Rand, James C. Rand, John W. Tarr.

DISTRICT No. 9.

Fall. Mertie Peaslee.

Winter. Charles Shepard.

DISTRICT No. 10.

Spring. Mary B. Nichols, Sylvia A. Jenness, Grace M. Peaslee, Ernest Converse, Bertie L. Peaslee.

Fall. Ernest Converse, George Blodgett.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BEDFORD.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1888.

Bedford School Board in account with N. B. Hall, Treas.

TEACHERS' SALARIES, SPRING TERM, 1887.

PAID—

Sarah E. McLane, No. 1 school, 10 weeks	\$80 00
Viella Batchelder, " 2 " 10 "	80 00
Annabel Emerson, " 3 " 11 "	60 50
Georgie L. Barnard, " 4 " 10 "	60 00
Mary A. Walker, " 5 " 10 "	60 00
May E. McLane, " 6 " 10 "	65 00
Annie L. Moulton, " 7 " 9 "	49 50
Cassie M. Dodge, " 8 " 10 "	60 00
E. M. Dickey, " 9 " 10 "	65 00
Mattie S. Johnson, " 10 " 10 "	60 00
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	\$640 00

FALL TERM.

PAID—

Mattie S. Johnson, No. 1 school, 10 w'ks.	80 00
Viella Batchelder, " 2 " 9 "	72 00
Annabel Emerson, " 3 " 10 "	60 00
Georgie L. Barnard, " 4 " 10 "	60 00
Mary A. Walker, " 5 " 10 "	60 00
May E. McLane, " 6 " 9 "	58 50
S. Olive Marden, " 7 " 10 "	49 50
Lizzie E. Hill, " 8 " 10 "	60 00
E. M. Dickey, " 9 " 10 "	65 00
May V. Tilton, " 10 " 9 "	54 00
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	\$619 00

WINTER TERM, 1888.

PAID—

Mattie S. Johnson, No. 1 school, 10 weeks	\$80 00
Ruby A. Johnson, " 2 " 10 "	75 00
Annabel Emerson, " 3 " 10 "	48 00
Cassie B. Tilton, " 4 " 10 "	54 00
Mary A. Walker, " 5 " 10 "	48 00
May E. McLane, " 6 " 10 "	65 00
Lizzie J. Parkhurst, " 7 " 10 "	45 50
Ada L. Mason, " 8 " 10 "	54 00
E. Maria Dickey, " 9 " 10 "	58 50
May V. Tilton, " 10 " 10 "	60 00
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	\$588 00
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	\$1847 00

FUEL.

Paid for fuel, dist. No. 1	\$25 44	
“ “ 2	14 87	
“ “ 3	9 50	
“ “ 4	7 00	
“ “ 5	12 15	
“ “ 6	12 00	
“ “ 7	9 25	
“ “ 8	12 50	
“ “ 9	.....	7 50	
“ “ 10	.....	11 20	
		<hr/>	\$121 41

REPAIRS.

Paid for school house, dist. No. 1	.....	\$7 48	
“ “ “ 2	.....	3 25	
“ “ “ 3	.....	4 97	
“ “ “ 4	.....	65	
“ “ “ 5	.....	3 50	
“ “ “ 6	.....	15	
“ “ “ 7	.....	3 27	
“ “ “ 8	.....	75	
“ “ “ 9	.....	6 16	
“ “ “ 10	.....	3 70	
		<hr/>	\$33 88

SUPPLIES.

Paid for Erasers	.....	\$2 55	
“ Bell	.....	25	
“ Crayons	.....	3 12	
“ Chairs	.....	1 50	
“ Brooms	.....	2 00	
“ Pails	.....	1 00	
“ Dippers	.....	35	
		<hr/>	\$10 77

MISCELLANEOUS

Paid for cleaning school houses	.....	\$20 50	
building fires	.....	14 00	
carrying pupils to No. 1	.....	41 00	
books	.....	4 05	
postage and stationery	.....	2 98	
		<hr/>	\$82 53

SUMMARY.

Whole amount paid to teachers.....	\$1847 00
“ for fuel	121 41
“ repairs	33 88
“ supplies	10 77
“ miscellaneous	82 53
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	\$2,095 59
In treasurer's hands.....	\$109 60
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	\$2,205 19

Cr.

By cash paid to dist. No. 1 for fuel and one weeks schooling from G. M. French money	\$10 00
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	\$2,195 19

By received of W. M. Patten, town Treas.

Whole amount of school money for 1887	\$2,159 68
Amount remaining from 1886.....	35 51
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	\$2,195 19

DIST. ACCOUNT.

Money received from G. M. French estate	\$27 36
Cr.	
By cash paid teacher for one week's school- ing dist. No. 1.....	\$8 00
By cash paid for fuel dist. No. 1.....	2 00
In treasurer's hands.....	17 36
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	\$27 36

Respectfully submitted,

N. B. HULL,

Treasurer.

BEDFORD, N. H., Feb. 25, 1888.

This certifies that we have examined the accounts of the treasurer of the school board of this town for the year 1887-8 and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

GEORGE H. WIGGIN,
JASPER P. GEORGE,

Auditors.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

No. of division.	Terms.	Teachers.	Wages per Month.	Length of term in weeks.	Whole No. of Scholars.	Whole number of different ones for the year.	Average daily attendance.	Per cent of daily attendance.	Reading and Spelling.	Pennmanship.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Grammar.	History.	Physiology.	Book-keeping.	Philosophy.	Algebra.	Composition.	Drawing.	Vocal Music.
1	Spring	Sarah E. McLane	32	10 35	39	309	35	29	23	13	12	5	4								
	Autumn	Mattie S. Johnson	32	10 36	33	3166	35	35	36	12	11	5	5	1					10		
	Winter	Mattie S. Johnson	32	10 33	41	26	3965	35	35	35	12	11	5	1				5	10		
2	Spring	Viella Bachelder	32	10 22	19	9047	22	22	21	18	10	1	1	1							
	Autumn	Viella Bachelder	32	9 22	20	9091	22	22	20	20	9	1	1								
	Winter	Ruby A. Johnson	16	24	21	18	8571	22	18	22	15	11	1	2	2						
3	Spring	Annabel Emerson	22	14 13	12	9635	13	13	13	9	4	4	1						5	13	
	Autumn	Annabel Emerson	24	10 14	13	9658	14	14	14	10	5	4	1					1	5	9	
	Winter	Annabel Emerson	24	8 12	15	11	9758	12	12	12	10	10	4	2					5	12	
4	Spring	Georgia L. Barnard	24	10 19	17	9318	19	19	17	7	4	2	2								
	Autumn	Georgia L. Barnard	24	10 22	21	9444	22	22	18	8	5	2	1						5		
	Winter	Carrie B. Tilton	24	9 20	22	15	8333	20	16	15	13	4	1						2		
5	Spring	Mary A. Walker	24	10 11	1	00	11	11	9	8	7										
	Autumn	Mary A. Walker	24	10 14	1	928	14	14	12	12	7	3	1								
	Winter	Mary A. Walker	24	8 12	14	777	12	12	12	6	7	3	1								
6	Spring	May E. McLane	26	10 14	12	51	14	12	9	4	7	3	3					3	1	6	
	Autumn	May E. McLane	26	9 16	14	966	16	10	9	6	6	2	3					2	1	6	
	Winter	May E. McLane	26	10 15	16	12	864	16	12	11	6	6	2	3				2	1	6	
7	Spring	Annie L. Moulton	22	10 15	8	7272	14	11	12	5	5	3						1			
	Autumn	S. Olive Marden	22	9 18	12	80	18	14	12	9	6	3									
	Winter	Lizzie J. Parkhurst	26	7 15	25	11	85	14	15	15	14	10	3	1				1			
8	Spring	Carrie M. Dodge	24	10 19	16	84	19	19	13	12	5	3	1						1	13	
	Autumn	Lizzie E. Hill	24	10 25	21	9519	25														
	Winter	Ada L. Mason	24	9 20	25	13	6842	29	20	14	14	8	3	2					9		
9	Spring	E. Maria Dickey	26	10 13	10	990	13	13	13	10	11	3	11					1			13
	Autumn	E. Maria Dickey	26	10 14	12	8571	14	12	14	13	7	3	11	1	1			1	11		13
	Winter	E. Maria Dickey	26	9 15	14	11	8491	15	15	14	12	8	5	13	1	1		1	12		12
10	Spring	Mattie S. Johnson	24	10 13	12	9230	15	13	13	9	8								4	13	13
	Autumn	May V. Tilton	24	9 15	11	9196	15	13	13	4	7				3			1		6	6
	Winter	May V. Tilton	24	10 20	23	16	8888	19	18	9	8	5			4	3	1		6		

VITAL STATISTICS.

Births Registered in the Town of Bedford, N. H., for the Year ending December 31, 1887.

Date.	Name of Child (if any.)	Sex and Condition.			Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Color of Parents.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.
		Male.	Female.	Living or Stillborn.	No. of Child, 1st, 2d, &c.						
1887.											
Feb. 18	James Dobbie	M.		L.	4th	W. James Dobbie	W.	Bedford.	Dyer.	Scotland	Scotland
April 14	Chester Holbrook				1st	Arthur W. Holbrook	"	"	Farmer.	Bedford	N. Y.
" 30	Alfred G. Lampher			"	3d	Alfred B. Lampher	"	"	Loom Fixer.	Vermont	Bedford
June 9	Chas. Englehardt			"	1st	Herman Englehardt	"	"	Dyer.	Germany	Manchester
" 16	Robert C. Brimmer			"	3d	Andrew Brimmer	"	"	Farmer.	Glasgow, Scotland	Boston, Mass.
July 7	Arthur Campbell			"	3d	Alfred B. Campbell	"	"	Farmer.	Bedford	Mont Vernon
" 24				"	"	Alva R. Mack	"	"	Teamster.	Lowell, Mass.	Meridith
Oct. 16				"	8.	Eddie W. Stevens	"	"	Farmer.	Amoskeag	Amherst
" 21	Nancy A. Ferguson		F.	L.	3d	Frank T. Ferguson	"	"	Laborer.	Bedford	West Manchester.
Dec. 12				"	7th	Benjamin H. Smith	"	"	Basket Maker	Hudson	Manchester
" 6	Maurice Woodbury			"	4th	Chas. P. Woodbury	"	"	Milkman	Sheboygan, Wis.	Bedford

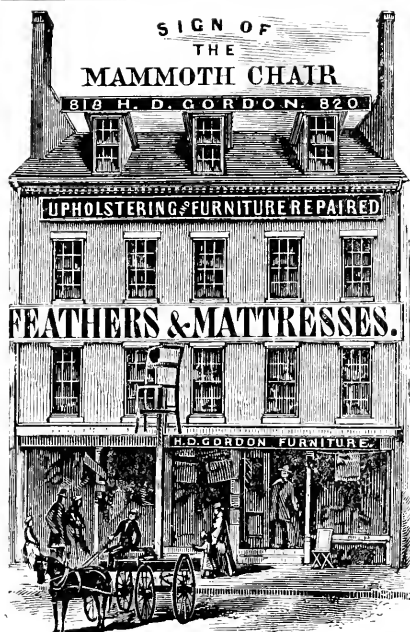
(23) *Marriages Registered in the Town of Bedford, for the Year ending December 31, 1887.*

Date.	Place of Marriage.	Name and surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in Years.	Color of each.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation.	Condition.	Name, Residence and Office of person by whom married.
1887.												
Apr. 30	Merrimaek....	G. A. Wiggins, Jr.	Bedford.....	28	W	Farmer.....	Boston, Mass.	George H. Wiggins Mary A. (Taylor)	Chelsea, Mass. England.....	Farmer.....	1st	Rev. E. A. Slack,
		Mary F. Minot	"	18	"	"	Bedford.....	Wm. H. Minot Ella (Walker)	"	"	"	Merrimaek.
Sept. 13	Manchester...	Thos. O. Barr	"	30	"	Farmer.....	Manchester...	Elbridge Barr Rhoda (French)	Bedford.....	Mason.....	"	" E. C. Crane,
		Sally C. Gage	"	26	"	"	Bedford.....	Wm. T. Gage Mary J. (Merrill)	"	Farmer.....	"	Manchester.
Sept. 13	Manchester...	Fred G. Barr	"	26	"	Farmer.....	"	Elbridge Barr Rhoda (French)	Bedford.....	Mason.....	"	" E. C. Crane,
		Ardie L. Gage	"	21	"	"	"	Wm. T. Gage Mary J. (Merrill)	"	Farmer.....	"	Manchester.
Sept. 14	Manchester...	Marion Campbell	"	33	"	Farmer.....	"	Isaac Campbell Mary A. (Payne)	Bedford.....	Farmer.....	"	" E. C. Crane,
		S. E. Witherspoon	"	18	"	"	"	Jesse Witherspoon	Chester.....	Farmer.....	"	Manchester.
Sept. 21	Manchester...	Neil E. Fullerton	"	27	"	Farmer.....	"	James Fullerton Mary McMellen	Scotland Scotland.....	Farmer.....	"	" E. C. Crane,
		Elta M. Spencer	"	20	"	"	Manchester...	Thos. B. Spencer Thankful (Combs)	"	Farmer.....	"	Manchester.
Nov. 23	Manchester...	Edward A. Potter	"	23	"	Farmer...	Manchester...	Alfred Potter Eliza (Cutler)	Canada.....	Farmer.....	"	" A. T. Hillman,
		Eliza D. Rollins	"	24	"	"	Bedford.....	Rodney M. Rollins Abbie (Dodge)	Vermont, Vt. Bedford.....	Farmer.....	"	Manchester.
Dec. 13	New Boston....	Henry H. Smith	"	38	"	Farmer.....	Charlestown, Pa.	James A. Smith Lorinda (Farmham)	Pa. Westfield, Pa.	Farmer.....	2d	" M. N. Reed,
		S. E. McLane	New Boston....	32	"	Teacher.....	New Boston....	Charles McLane Erubie (Powell)	New Boston. N. H.....	Mechanic....	1st	New Boston.

(24) *Deaths Registered in the Town of Bedford, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1887.*

Date.	Place of Death.	Name and surname of the deceased.	Age.		Place of Birth.	Sex and Condition.		Occupation.	Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
			Years.	Months.		Male.	Female.		Father.	Mother.		
1887.												
Jan. 5	Bedford	Elmira L. Johnson	29	10 22	Holderness						Jonathan Wilson	Rebecca Warrt
" 28	"	Eliza Harris Burns	83	4 7	Boston, Mass.						Thos. Harris	Martha Dennis
Feb. 5	"	Annis C. French	84	6 24	New Boston				New Boston		Thos. Campbell	Annis Clark
" 11	"	Lydia Parkhurst	81	5 2	Chelmsford, Mass.				Chelmsford, Mass.		Henry Parkhurst	Lydia Spaulding
Mar. 22	"	Annie H. Smith	28	2 13	Holyoke, Mass.				Salem		Frederick C. Swan	Catherine Houston
" 22	"	Catherine C. Nettel	41	8 24	Canada				Scotland		John Huskie	Catherine
" 31	"	David Sprague	81	5 5	Bedford	M.			Bedford		David Sprague	Patty Patterson
Apr. 15	"	Adam N. Patton	81	9 26	"				"		Joseph Patton	Mary Drick
May 30	"	George W. Patton	22	2 25	"				"		Wm. M. Patton	E. M. Whitford
June 9	"	Clara Engelhardt	22	1	"				"		Herman Engelhardt	Ella Ritter
June 17	"	Ella Engelhardt	26	7 11	Manchester				Germany		Herman Ritter	Caroline Hoffman
July 8	"	W. E. Adams	72	4 6	Bedford				Bedford		Wm. C. Adams	Mary F. Roby
" 14	"	Eliza J. Stevens	51	11 19	"				Bedford		Benj. Stevens	M. McPherson
" 23	"	Willard C. Parker	36	3 4	"				Bedford		Willard Parker	Anna Riddle
Aug. 9	"	Elizabeth A. Farley	72	4 23	"				Bedford		Thos. Barr	S. A. Pearsons
" 16	"	Margaret A. Atwood	71	7 25	Wenham, Mass.				Bedford		Isaac Gilmore	Abigail Palmer
" 26	"	Edw. G. Gilmore	71	7 25	Dent, England				Bedford		Isaac Gilmore	Susan Sprague
Sept. 3	"	Nathaniel Flint	77	7 25	Dent, England				Bedford		Isaac Gilmore	Abigail Allen
" 25	"	Isabella Harrison	70	7 25	Dent, England				Bedford		Isaac Gilmore	Abigail Allen
Oct. 16	"	Lucinda E. Clement	87	17	Boscawen				Bedford		Isaac Gilmore	Abigail Allen
" 20	"	Norman E. Cobb	50	23	Vermont				Bedford		Isaac Gilmore	Abigail Allen
Nov. 9	"	Nancy A. Ferguson	23	3	Bedford				Bedford		Isaac Gilmore	Abigail Allen
" 13	"	Mary B. Estbrook	2	3 5	Goffstown				Bedford		Isaac Gilmore	Abigail Allen
Dec. 6	"	Lucy S. Holbrook	77	2	Salem, Mass.				Bedford		Isaac Gilmore	Abigail Allen
" 14	"	Maurice Woodbury	24	24	Bedford				Bedford		Isaac Gilmore	Abigail Allen
" 30	"								Bedford		Isaac Gilmore	Abigail Allen

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